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Letter dated 22 September 2000 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have been instructed by my Government to lodge a protest at the ever more frequent instances of harassment of the members of the Yugoslav Committee for Cooperation with the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) and the searching of their vehicles in Kosovo and Metohija, the autonomous province of the Yugoslav constituent Republic of Serbia, by the Kosovo Force (KFOR). In their conduct towards the members of the Committee, and while searching their vehicles, KFOR display singular arrogance and disrespect, unwarranted either by norm or circumstance.

Considering the importance that the Yugoslav Committee for Cooperation with UNMIK has in maintaining a liaison of the United Nations Mission with its host country, the behaviour of KFOR runs not only against the norms of common decency, but is contrary to the provisions of Security Council resolution 1244 (1999) guaranteeing the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, which is officially represented by the members of the Committee.

The Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia calls on the Security Council to condemn the behaviour of KFOR and to ensure that KFOR scrupulously complies with resolution 1244 (1999).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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